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# IS FILLING UP.

That is, the Good Little City of Clarksburg Is

WITH HOSTS OF REPUBLICANS

Who will Represent the Party at the Two Conventions

THERE TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

The Advance Guard on the Ground in Great Numbers-Capt, Dovener will Probably Preside Over the First District Convention; at Least the "Boys" Want Him to - Schmulbach's Selection as a District Delegate Conceded—That Preston County Fake "Roodle" Story-Kan awha County on the Way Solid for Major Dana for Delegate - at - Large, and Impressively Concrete for Major McKinley.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., May 12.—
From present indications there is to be a considerable gathering here to-morrow, and a bigger one the next day. To-morrow is the First district convention, and the next day, the state The faithful are aroused this year and there can't be Among the arrivals are State Chairman W. M. O. Dawson Congressman Dove ner, State League President Elliott. J. S. Hyer and L. M. Lafollette, each of whom is willing to be auditor; Colonel Romeo Freer, C. P. Dorr; Henry Schmuleach, C. B. Hart and George Wise, as the advance guard of Ohlo county; Colonel Stillwell of Marshall, who is looking for a bed big enough to hold him.

L. M. Wade, the tall horse chestnut, of the Elk. Will T. Burnside, of Upshur, who is looking over the field in the interest of Major Hurst, of Upshur. Other statesmen will be in on later trains. The handsoms new Trader Hotel is alive with Republicans. By to-morrow night cots will be in demand. Captain Dovener will probably preside over the First district convention. This is what the boys seem to want, but the gallant Captain seems reluctant fo consent.

What the Platform will De.

The resolutions will declarate for protection and reciprocity, denounce Democratic policy generally, favor onel Stillwell of Marshall, who is look-

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bentoratio policy generally, denounce. Democratio policy generally, favor Senator Elkins' shipping bill, demand the further restriction of immigration, declare unequivocally for sound money, endorse liberal appropriations for West Virginia waterwaya, and a confunction of the Republican pension policy, extend sympathy te-Cuba, and will declare for McKinley in a way that will satisfy the strong McKinley sentiment of the district.

There is not the slightest doubt of Mr. Schmulback's election as a district delegate. Stuck, of Doddridge, Dan Boughner, of Harrison and Taylor, of Braxton, are candidates for district, delegate. O. W. O. Hardman, of Tyler, and Major A. C. Moore, of Harrison, want to go as delegates-at-large. They are all McKinley men and no question is unsolved except each man's desire to get there. The indications are that everything will go smoothly. The convention will not be called to order until the Pan-handie delegates get here and have had opportunity to refresh the inner man.

That Fake "Beodle' Stery.

That Fake "Boodle" Story.

simman Dawson, whose home is in Preston county, resents the insane story that model, was sent into his county that moser, was sent into his county to influence it for Atkinson and McKincy, or either of them. In conversation with your correspondent he said: "It was more than two weeks after the affair occurred before I knew of it, and a full mouth before I got the particulars, owing to absence frem home. Even then it came to me in confidence, and I was not at liberty to speak. However, I am now authorized to say that it was not "political" nor campaign money, but was purely a family affair, just as Mr. Heermans states in his letter in the Intelligencer. It does Mr. Atkinson a great wrong to connect his Atkinson a great wrong to connect his name with the affair, and I hope no friend of mine will do so."

## KANAWHA DELEGATION

Delogate and McKinley.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 12.-Today J. B. Floyd, O. A. Petty, Peter Silman, W. S. Edwards, Ike Lowenstein, man, W. S. Edwards, Re Lowenstein, W. J. Wilton, R. B. Cassady, C. E. Champ, Essoch Carver, A. Burlew, C. B. Graham, C. C. Campbell, Nell Robinson, P. B. Burbridge, I. M. Carper left for Clarksburg. If Major J. E. Dana is not sent as delegate-a-large to the St. Louis convention it will not be the fault of the Kanawha delegation, which will your solidly for him. Republicans ii vote solidly for him. Republicans Kanawha are solid for McKinley and

## Dynamiting Fishermen

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer Florida Dispatch to the intelligence, HUNTINGTON, W. Va., May 12.—Pishermen have used dynamite in pools along Guyandotte river for a distance of fitty miles and immense damage is reported. Fish by the thousand line the banks of the stream. The United States authorities are investigating.

Centennial of Congregationalism.

MARIETTA. Ohio. May 12.—The centennial anniversary of Congregationalism west of the Aliceheny mountains, exan here to-day and will continue like days. The meetings are held in the old First Congregational church, will the 1807 and still used for church diposes, having been frequently re-defend I stands on the site of the tiginal block house used 100 years ago. Lo-day the visitors indulged in old me reminiscences in and around the set white settlement in the northwest extritory.

Chiefs of Police Convention.

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ATLANTA, Ga., May 12.—The third abbusic convention of the chiefs of police of the United States and Canada assembled in convention in this city this morning. The old officers were resolved as follows: President, T. P. Elddige, of Boston; vice pres 2 nt. A. B. Connolly, of Atlanta; secretary, Harvey Carr. of Grand Rapids, Mich. Pittaburgh, Pa., was selected as the ext place of meeting.

Ovation to the Brooklyn.

Fill LADELLPHIA, Pa., May 12,—The
liker Brooklyn, or as she has been
been appropriately dubbed, the "GreatNew York," returned triumphant to
dock at Crampa ship yard this
aftenoon. Her journey up the Delasare river from the capes was almost
one continuous ovation, every factory
along the line saluting the queen of
Schling craft as she passed, and flags
were dropped repeatedly.

#### REGULAR TORNADO

Catches Eikhorn, Nebraska—Suildings Damaged and Many Injured. ELKHORN, Neb., May 12.—Hikhorn was struck at 4:15 by a tornado, which raged with unabated violence for twenty-five minutes, apparently being the same storm which struck Lincoln. Rain fell as from a cloudburst, accompanied by hall. The prevailing drift of the wind was from the southwest, of the wind was from the southwest, but at times it seemed to form in eddies between the business blocks and was accompanied by cyclonic features. Buildings were unroofed, and torn down, cornices swept from roofs into the streets and the residence portion of the city nearly denued of trees. The greatest damage was at the state hospital for the insane, where many of the larger buildings were unroofed. The damage will be very heavy. The suburban districts are yet cut off from communication.

The swerely injured are: J. L. Workman, head cut by flying debris; A. L. Woodry, in a collapsed building: Mrs. J. B. Abbott, caught beneath a horse; Henry Meyer, J. T. Thorpe.

At the state asylum iron supports weighing 30s pounds were blown several hundred feet. There is scarcely a street in the town which is not strewn with large branches and whole trunks of trees uptracted by the storm.

#### THE FUNNEL-SHAPED TERROR.

Cyclone Passes Over Nebruska-Severa Houses Raned.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 12.-A cyclone swept this section this afternoon. funnel-shaped cloud shot from the storm cloud, and a general stampede of citizens for cellars and caves ensued. At the school house the children fled panic-stricken to the furnace room amid the wildest confusion, and many of them were hurt. The cyclone struck the ground north of the town. Its course was northwest. The path of the storm was from 200 to 300 yards wide and everything in its path was razed to the ground, including several houses. After traversing a distance of about two miles the cloud arose and at a point five or six miles further to the north dropped again to the north, where it is feared great damage and loss of life resulted.

#### HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

Contested Election Cases Considered.
Monkeyed with the Record.
WASHINGTON,D. C., May 12.—The house to-day entered upon the contested election case of Rinaker vs. Downing, from the Sixteenth Illinois district. The debate was very spirited, Mr. Moody, (Rep., Mass.), joined with the Demogratio majority in asking the adoption of a resolution for an official recount of the ballots in the dispute. Messrs. Cook (Rep., Ill.), and Leonard (Rep., Penna), spoke fer the contestant to-day and Mr. Bartiett (Dem., Ga.), and Moody for the contestee. "The vote probably will be taken to-morrow. Before the case was brought up, Mr. Wheeler (Dem., Ala.), was taken to task for abusing the privilege of printing in the record, and some extensive interpolations in a recent speech of his were expunged from the permanent record by a vote of 75 to 144.

Mr. Evans (Rep., Ky.), in obedience to the instructions of the ways and means committee, gave notice that he would call up the "free sloohol" bill at the first opportunity. The special order for the censideration of private pension bills was postponed until Thursday.

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Compromise Effected

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.-The animated contest which has proceeded for the last four days in the senate over a deep water harbor on the southern coast of California was brought to a coast of California was brought to a close to-day by a compromise between the conflicting intersts. The issue has been between the points of Santa Monica, the terminus of the Southern Pacific, and San Pedro, the locality urged by the California senators. Senator Frye, chairman of the committee, finally harmonized the difference by referring the determination, as between Santa Monica and San Pedre to a commission to consist of three civil engineers, a naval officer and amofficer of the coast survey. The compromise was accepted by the California senators and was unanimously passed.

## A. P. A. COUNCIL

Informal Opening-Eastern Section will Oppose the Action on McKinley, WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—The

supreme council of the American Protective Association held an informal meeting this morning, the first of the No business was transacted except the appointment of a acted except the appointment of a committee on credentials. This committee at once began making the roil of the council. This morning was spent by delegates in listening to many "fraternal speeches" as they were called, all of them informal. There are now about 200 delegates on the scene. Every state and territory, with the exception of three are represented. From Indian Territory there are Indian delegates. New Zealand, New York and Fennsylvania have sent the largest delegations.

The concensus of opinion among the cautern delegates is that attempts to bring the financial question to the front will be checked. The action of front will be checked.

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Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer,
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—A
postoffice has been established at Savage, Mineral county, and James E,
Leps appointed postmaster. John W.
Moore has been commissioned postmaster at Ronda.

Reported Drawning of H. G. Davie, Jr. CINCINNATI, Ohlo, May 12.—A special to the Commercial Gazette reports the drawning at sea of Henry G. Davis, jr., san of ex-Senator Davis, and brother-in-law of Senator Stephen R. Elkins. Davis had taken a cruiss to South Africa for his health and was accidentally growned in mid-ocean.

#### Address to High School Graduates. ectal Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

Special Dispatch to the includence of the HINTINGFON, W. Va., May 12.—W. A. Northcott, Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Illinois, addressed the graduating class of the Huntington high school in Davis theatre here, to-night.

Hlew Off Roofs. BIRLEY, lowa, May 12—A terrific rain and wind storm passed through this section last night. The roof of the three-story Academy of Music building was blown off. Part of the city building was destroyed by the wind. Many small buildings were demolished.

## Iden's Costly Offer.

COLUMU'S, Ohio, May 12.—Ex-Sen-ator George Iden, of Newark, was con-victed this afternoon of having offered Clerk John R. Malloy, of the house of Representatives, \$50 to faisify a roll call in 1893.

# MISSOURI IN LINE

For Sound Money, Protection and the People's Choice,

#### WHICH IS HON. WM. M'KINLEY.

The Delegates Have a Rather Sterm Time of It in Getting Into the Hall, Owing to Contesting Delegations-Two Sets of Tickets Given Out to the Followers of National Committeeman Screus and Chairman Filley-A Compromise was Affected - The Resolutions, Without Reservation, Instruct the Delegates for McKinley.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 12.-The Republican state convention was almost turned into a riot this morning before the delegates were admitted to the hall. vention 10 o'clock, and at that hour fully 2,000 people were in front of the Crawford Opera House, where the conven tion was held, clamoring for admit-tance. The cause of the trouble was a disagreement between the Filley and Kerens factions for supremacy. The former, as chairman of the state committe, issued tickets to his set of delegates before leaving St. Louis. Kerens and his followers are present in force with a contesting delegation and this caused all the trouble. The local committee on arrangements recognized Kerens as boss, and this committee also issued tickets to the convention, and having obtained possession of the keys of the opera house refused to admit any one until Filley would consent to a compromise.

in the hot sun, cursing alternately Filley and Kerens, but all to no purpose. Finally, however, the crowd became so boisterous that it was feared that an attempt would be made to break down the doors, and policemen were sent to restore order. The delegates were furious and threats were made that both Filley and Kerens would be turned down when the convention opened. Finally an agreement was reached and the delegates allowed to enter. Chairman Filley called the convention to order and Congressman Richard Bartholdt was made temporary chairman. In assuming the chair Major Bartholdt counseled Barmony of action, and then said:

"You are here, not to propose a name for President of the United States, but as Republicans, always responsive to the people's wishes, to ratify the choice which they have already made."

When Temporary Chairman Bartholdt refused to entertain a motion except to adjourn, the anti-Filley followers had a caucus, after adjournment, and attempted to arrange matters that they might seat the contesting delegations in the Eleventh, Tweith and Thireenth districts.

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might seat the contesting delegations in the Eleventh, Tweith and Thirteenth districts.

The platform opens by congraviting the Republican party on the rapid strides which it has made in the state. The doctrine of protection and reciprocity in dealt with at some length. It concludes as follows:

"We demand a return to the sound Republican policy of protection and reciprocity. The repeal of that law by the Democratic Congress has closed the markets of many foreign countries to a large section of American products. "We are firm and emphatic in our demand for honest money. We believe that our money not be inferior to the money of the most enlightened nations of the earth. We favor the use of allver as currency, but to the extent only and under such regulations that its parity with the present gold standard can be maintained, and in consequence we are opposed to the free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1. "We denounce the present adminis-

and independent coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1.

"We denounce the present administration for its hostility to the interests of the union solder and we pledge anew to the veterans of the republic a watchful care and recognition of their just claims upon a grateful people.

"We recognize the Hon, William Mc-Kinley as the champion of the doctrine of protection, a gallant soldier, an able statesman and a true and loyal American, and the delegates elected by

an able statesman and a true and olysical American, and the delegates elected by this convention are directed to cast their votes for the nomination of William McKinley for President of the United States.

It was not until after 11 o'clock tonight that the committee on credentials was ready to record and the convention.

and the minority favoring the settling of all the contesting delegations and lividing the vote between the two fac-

The majority report was adopted without dehats. The committee on order of business recommended the election, first, of a state chairman, the nomination of state officers afterward, and, as the final business of the convention, this report was unaulmously adopted. The indications are that the convention will be in session all night.

## ADDICKS WINS

In the Delaware Convention - Delegated

Are Uninstructed.

DOVER, Del., May 12.—The Republican state convention met here at noon to-day. The Addicks and Higgins dele gates held separate caucuses and the lat-ter nominated ex-Senator Higgins and John Pilling, of New Castle county for national delgates. anted J. Edward Addicks and Daniel F Stewart. Mr. Addicks was wildly applauded and cheered as he entered the hall. He sat us a contestant from Brandywine Hundred. Dr. C. R. Lay-

hairman.
fight between the two factions

The fight between the two factions was precipitated by a motion in the Adgisks interest that the chair appoint the committee on credentials. The Higgins people fought for the naming of the committee by the district caucuses but were beaten by a vote of 97 to 52.

The Addieks delegates were uninstructed. The platform adopted declares loyalty for the principles of the Republican party, opposes free silver and condemns "the Democratic conspiracy in this state which deales our citizens the equal opportunity to qualify and yote."

"We are in favor of our delegates to St. Louis voting for such person as a nominee for President as they may deem for the best interests of the na-tion."

Poundrymen in Convention. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 12.—The first Congress of foundrymen ever held in this country began to-day at the Manufacturers' Club in this city. Upwards of 250 delegates from all parts of the United States were in attendance. The objects of the session is to bring the foundrymen into closer contact, and to form associations in the various states.

## CRAWFORD'S PLEA

For the Defense in the Pearl Bryan Mur

der Triai.

NEWPORT, Ky.. May 12.—There is a dimunition in attendance at the Jackson trial to-day. Crawford began Jackson trial to-day. Crawford began his argument for the defense. The line of his defense has been to create sympathy for Jackson by dwelling upon the torturing inquisitorial treatment given him by the Cincinnati police after his arrest. He also tried to show that Will Wood, not Jackson, was responsible for Pearl Bryan's condition.

Colonel Crawford having exhausted his voice at a quarter before 5.0 clock. court adjourned till to-morrow. Crawford will finish in an hour or two in the morning and the commonwealth attorney, Lockhart, will conclude for the prosecution, so as to give the case to the jury by adjourning hour in the afternoon.

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Colonel Crawford devoted much of Colonel Crawford devoted much of his argument in an attempt to discredit the testimony of the two negroes, Allen Johnson and George H. Jackson, the cabman, but his greater effort was to create a doubt as to whether the girl was killed in Ohio or Kentucky, and also to establish an alibi for Scott Jackson. Whatever may be the merits of his case and of his argument it is conceded by all that Colonel Crawford is making a gallant fight for his client.

#### The Mystery Solved.

of the woman who committed suicide at the Colonnade hotel in this city Priday evening, after having carefully destroyed all that would inducate her identity, has been solved. Charles H. Biller, a bookkeeper in the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company in this city identified the body to-day as that of his wife, Julia A. Biller. Mr. and Mrs. Biller lived in Newark, N. J. The woman was about thirty-one years of age. Mrs. Biller disappeared from her home about six weeks ago, leaving no clue as to her intentions. Search was made for her, but without avail until to-day. Mr. Biller thinks his wife was insane. They had lost two children, and over that be-reavement the mother had brooded for a long time. She was sent to Germany to visit her husband's parents, but returned no more cheerful than she was when she went away. She was a graduate of Vassar coilege and a woman of exemplary character. of the woman who committed suicide at

#### Knights of Golden Eagle.

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day there was a public reception in the opera house, at which Supreme Chief A. C. Lytle, of this city, presided. Mayor Barr made an address of welcome, which was responded to by Grand Chief Hill, of Reading.

At the opening session of the grand castle District Grand Chief Clisson presented a handsome gavel to Grand Chief Hill. After degrees had been conferred the grand chief, appointed committees, and a recess was taken until tomorrow morning.

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The grand temple of the ladies of the
Golden Eagle also met this morning.
Elighty temples were represented. Credentials were received and a recess was
taken until to-morrow morning.

After the parade the competitive drilt
took place on the cricket grounds. Allentown commandery won first prize;
Company B, commandery of West Philadelphia, second.

Love Gives It Up.

ROCHESTER, A. Y., May 12.—John
Love, ex-cashier of the First National
Bank of Watkins, whose trial was to have taken place in the United States district court here to-day, has pleaded guilty to the indictment charging him with making a false entry in a report to the United States comptroller of the currency in December, 1892. No time has been uxed for passing sentence. Love was a defaulter for over \$100,000. He fied to Chicago, but in October, 1894, was brought back to Watkins. He was indicted by the federal government and was tried on a charge of embeaslement at the last term of the United States court and acquitted. He realized that he could not hope to escape some punjahment, and so decidec to plead guilty to a minor count and throw himself on the mercy of the court. have taken place in the United States

## Indiana G. A. R. Encampment

SOUTH HEND, Ind., May 12 .- The influx of visitors to the Seventeenth annust encampment of the Indiana de-partment Grand Army of the Republic began this afternoon and by to-morrow noon, the city will be crowded. The city is already profusely decorated and arches and flags are how the most con-spicuous objects in town. An immense camp fire and reception was an im-portant feature this evening. A tel-gram just received from General Lew Wallace, of Crawfordsville, Indiana, says he and Hon. James A. Mount will be here to-morrow.

## Old Fight Renewed.

NEW TORK, May 12.—The old fight between police board and Comptroller Fitch took on another phase to-day. At the meeting of the police board a motion was presented by Commissioner Andrews suspending the payments of all drafts on the contingent fund of the department. No appropriation has been all dratts on the contingent tund of the department. No appropriation has been made to meet the expenses incurred by this fund, and until that is done it is proposed to stop the collecting of evidence against saloon keepers, policy shops, the feeding of criminals and the photographing of criminals for the rogues gallery.

## Admitted the Bribery.

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NEW YORK, May 12.—Ex-Police
Captain Edward B. Carpenter plead
guilty to-day in the criminal branch of
the supreme court to the charge of bribery, and was sentenced to three months
in the pentientiary and to pay a fine
of \$1,200. Carpenter admitted having
received a bribe of \$1,000 from the
Liquor Dealers Association, of the Thirty-third district.

## Porest Pires Onenched.

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HOUGHTON, Mich., May 12.—Heavy rain fell for five hours last night effectually quenching forest fires which had been burning for the past week at a number of points, and which have caused great destruction. The loss by fire of the past week on the southern shore of Lake Superior between Duluth and Sault St. Marie will reach fully a million dollars.

## Shot for a Drink.

PARIS, Ky., May 12.—Jack R. Alexander, a great-nephew of Jefferson Davis, late president of the southern Confederacy, was shot and mortally wounded to-day at his saloon in this city, by John Steere, a brakenan. He had refused to credit Steers for a drink.

## Twenty Buildings Demolished.

WORTHINGTON, Minn., May 12,— A cyclone struck this place last night, demolishing twenty buildings. For-tunately no one was seriously hurt.

MAKE it a point to see that your blood is purified, enriched and vitalized at this season with Hood's Barsapa-rilla.

# NOW IT IS RUSSIA

That Has Stepped on the Tail of the British Lion.

AN INCIDENT AT CHEFOO, CHINA.

That May Develop Into Very Serious Consequences.

AN AMERICAN, AS USUAL, IN IT.

The White Can, Through a Citizen of the United States, Takes Possession of Disputed Territory, in Defiance of Al loged Treaty Rights-England's Sensitive Nerves Receive a Shock, and Declares that Rossia's Action Cannot be Viewed as any Other than an Unfriendly Act-Russian and American Warships at Chefee, and Intense Excitement Prevails There-The Volatile French Press Goes Into Consiption Fits Over the Attitude Competitor Affair,

SHANGHAL May 12 .- J. Smith, the agent of the Russian Steam Navigation Company, at Chefoo, and also the agent fer various American missions, has secured the foreshore at Chefoo belonging to Ferguson & Company.
Agents for steamships and the New York Life Insurance Company, and other firms objected, but Russia intervened and the Chinese acceded to the request of the Russian vice consul.

LONDON, May 12 .- A special dispatch from Shanghai says that the Russians through an American agent named Smith have taken possession of the disputed territory at Chefoo, over which the British claim rights. Six Russian warships are there, as well as the Detroit, Yorktown, Olympia and Machias, of the United States navy. The dispatch adds that intense ex-

citement prevails at Chefoo. A dispatch to the Globe from Shanghal says that the Russians have selzed lot twelve of the Brifish concession at

Chefoo, in defiance of all legal and treaty rights.

The Globe's editorial comment on the dispatches from Shanghal contains the remark: "The seriousness of the news from Chefoo cannot be overestimated. The action taken is in direct contra-vention of existing laws and treatles and cannot be viewed by Great Britain as other than an unfriendly act."

The first lord of the treasury, Mr. A. J. Balfour, replying to a question in the house of commons to-day as to the accuracy of the dispatches from Shanghal, announcing that Russia had occupied territory on the foreshore at Chefoo, which formed part of the British concession, said the government had no information on the subject. The parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, Mr. Curson, he added, would probably be able to answer the ques-

## TWO MORE AMERICANS

Will be Tried by Court Martial for Being

in the Competitor Expedition. HAVANA, May 12.—There is no foundation for the rumors that Captain-General Weyler has been dismissed.

The naval authorities have formed an ordinary court-martial for the trial of Charles Barnett and William Leavitt, the two Americans who are said to have formed part of the Cempetitor expedition, and who were captured, as announced in these dispatches yesterday, by the local guerilia of Palma, Pinar del Rio.

MADRID, May 12.—At a meeting of the Liberal deputies and senators last evening. Senor Sagnata admitted the difficulties attending the immediate application of reforms to Cuba, and denied the right of the United States to recognize the insurgents as beiligerents since he added, they did nothing but fice before the Spanish troops, burned proprty and committed murders.

Continuing Sagnata accurate.

and committed murders.
Continuing Senor Sagasta expressed
the belief that President Cleveland
would not accord beligerent rights to
"rebels who have no government with
a fixed place of residence, and who do
not hold a fortified position."
Senor Sagasta also promised to support the government in the matter of
the expenditures necessary to prosecute
the Cuban campaign, and declared that
the elections in Madrid and Cuba should
be quashed.
The Correspondencia says it believes

the elections in Madrid and Cuba should be quashed.

The Correspondencia says it believes that if Captain Geferal Weylor resigns he will be succeeded by General Blanco, governor of the Phillipine Islands, who will proceed to Cuba via the Pacific and Ban Francisco.

Admiral Navarro has been assigned to proceed with the trial of the schooner Competitor. The vessel is liable to a special jurisdiction exclusive of the cognizance of the marine court.

In the zone of country including San Antonio, Rio Blanco and Catalina, in the province of Pinar del Rio, the insurgent band of Valencia has burned 2,000 tons of sugar cane.

Captain Miro, of the local guerilla force of Cano near Havana, in conjunction with others of the Wajay battallon, surprised a numerous band of insurgents at Pinta Bravo and killed five of their number. After they had put the insurgents to flight, they pursued them and killed threen more.

The local guerilla of Veredaneuva have also had a fight with the insurgents lond of Farinas and Azola, who has made himself a terror for his boldness.

# THE FRENCH PRESS

Files Off at a Tangent in Regard to the

Competitor Affair.

PARIS, May 12.—The Figure, referring to the attitude of the United States toward Cuba, says this morning: "The United States authorities, since the outbreak of the revolt, have observed an attitude of defiance towards Spain, and support of the insurgents. They ought to consider that Europe will not sanction this mode of action. If the Monroe doctrine permits the Americans to drive Spaniards from Cubs. It also permits them to turn the French and British out of their possessions in the Antiles."

The Soleil, commenting on the same subject, remarks: "The United States have no more right to interfere in the affairs of Spain than to mix themselves up with the affairs of Guadaloupe, Martinique and Guiana. If Spain loses United States authorities, since the out

Cuba it will be a terrible blow to European influence in the Antilles."

The Matin says: "Europe will protest unanimously against the continual interference of Americans in matters which do not concern them. The government does not gain credit hip pleading the prisoners' case without extenuating circumstances."

The Gaulois expresses the opinion that the steps taken by the United States in the Cuban question are not of a nature to facilitate its settlement.

The Temps says that "Spain, in the Competitor affair, has the right to count upon the sympathy of all nations who do not believe that Anglo-Saxons, whether Rhodes's Condottiere or officers of the Competitor, have the privilege to induige in land or sea fifthustering with impunity."

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LONDON, May 12.—The under secretary of state for foreign arrairs, Mr. George N. Curzon, in the house of commons to-day, answering a question regarding the antionality of the mea captured on board the American fillbustering schooner Competitor, said that among the prisoners was a man samed William Hilby (probably the man referred to in the Havana dispatches as Gides), who was born under the British fing, but who had, according to dispatches received from the British consult at Havana, lost his British antionality by becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States.

#### WEST VIRGINIA EDITORS.

A Novel Scheme Prepared for Their En-tertainment at Sistersville. The West Virginia Editorial Asso-

clation will meet in Sistersville on Wednesday and Thursday of next reek, May 20 and 21, and the present outlook indicates the largest attendance since its organization and will

ance since its organization and will include many representatives of the Ohio and Pennsylvania associations, besides the president and other members of the national association.

A departure from former precedents has been arranged, and instead of holding sessions in poorly ventilated rooms, a commodious steamboat will be provided and while riding the silvery waves, the pen wielders will transact the business for which they will assemble.

At New Martinsville a bountious luncheon will be provided by the fadles of that beautiful little city, between the hours of 12 and 2 and then the return to Sistersville where in the evening they will be banquetted in a manner befitting the character of the distinguished guests.

Thursday morning the party will journey down stream via the steamer Barnadall to Waverly, stopping en route to inspect pump stations, oil wells and other points of interest and probably dine on Ohio oil at Marietta in the evening.

Why Jameson Failed. LONDON, May 12.—The Daily Courier confirms the report that Dr. Jame-son's raid into the Transvaal failed beson's raid into the Transvasi falled be-cause Ceol! Rhodes wished the reform-ers to revolt under the union jack, while the latter insisted upon the Transvasi lag. It also appears that all arrange-ments were made to prodaim Charies Leonard presient and John Hays Hammond state's attorney, but they re-fused to alter their plans, and conse-quently left Dr. Jameson in the lurch.

Dock Strikers Make Trouble ROTTERDAM, May 12.—The dockers' strike has assumed an ugly aspect. The civic guard, police and marines have been called out to protect the workers.

## Cholera in Alexandria. ALEXANDRIA, May 12.—There were twenty-two deaths from cholera re-ported here yesterday.

CHURCH EXTENSION

Criticised in Committee of the Methodist General Conference. CLEVELAND, O., May 12.—There was a lively time at the meeting of the church extension committee of the Methodist general conference over some severe criticism of the financial management of the church extension at clety. The society loans money to weak churches with which to build, taking mortgages. The complaint was that often these mortgages were worthless, and the interest not paid. Rev. Dr. Kynett, the secretary, made a vigorous answer that they were for the church

Kynett, the secretary, made a vigorous answer that they were for the church and not a money maning corporation; that it would discourage the spread of the church and the gospel to be too exacting, and that to press for the last, penny used for Christ was not in line with true Methodism. The committee upheld Dr. Kynett.

The Epworth League committee debated the proposition to recognise the league as the only young people's society in the church. This was botly opposed on the ground that it would drive many young people out of the church.

At the meeting of the committee or Episcopacy to-night Dr. J. F. Goucher, of Baltimore, for the sub-committee to consider the advisability of electing more bishops, reported that Bishops Bowman and Poster and missionary Bishop Taylor were worn out and inefficient and recommended that two additional bishops be elected to strengthen the board.

At the Armory this evening there was a meeting of the church extension society, at which Dr. William A. Spencer, of Philadelphia, one of the secretaries, read statistics showing that \$5,500,600 had been devoted to the work during the past thirty years; \$1,850 churches beind alded during that time. The collections for the past four years by \$31,000.

#### OIL AND DYNAMITE. An Effort Made to Burn a Mammoth

Concentrator.
WARDNER, Ida., May 12.-An atempt was made last night to burn down them ammoth Bunker Hill con-

down them ammoth Bunker Hill con-centrator at Wardner Junction. The concentrator was fired with the aid of boxes, sacks and kerosene, and at the same moment a portion of the large fume was blown up with dynamite, which shook the buildings at Kellogg, nearly a mile distant.

The dynamite was used a few hun-dred yards above the mill. The ma-chinery stopped and the electric lights were extinguished two minutes later. The time selected was when most of the mill hands were at supper. The object mill hands were at supper. The object was to get the concentrator to burning and prevent its extinguishment by cutting off the water supply. The Bunker Hill employs 400 men. The milita was called out and remained out all night.

## Weather Forceast for To-day.

The temperature yeaterday as observed by C. Schnepf, druggist, corner Four-teenth and Market streets, was as fol-lows: